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*fruticosa*, raised from seed brought by himself from the State of Missouri.

Prof. Johnson exhibited a plan for forming geological sections, in which the different strata were represented by the rock itself in a pulverized state upon paper.

*Stated Meeting, June 15, 1847.*

VICE PRESIDENT MORTON in the Chair.

DONATIONS TO LIBRARY.

Report of the Commissioner of Patents, exhibiting the operations of the Patent office during the year ending Dec. 31, 1845. From Peter A. Browne, Esq.

The history and culture of the Olive. The anniversary address of the State Agricultural Society of South Carolina, delivered Nov. 26, 1846, by the Hon. Mitchel King. Columbia, S. C., 1846. From Dr. R. W. Gibbes, of South Carolina.

Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society. Vol. 4. Nos. 36 and 37; July 1846 to March 1847. From the Society.

The Literary Record and Journal of the Linnean Association of Pennsylvania College. Vol. 3, No. 8. From the Association.

Dr. Wilson deposited the following fine works:

Planches colorées d'Oiseaux: par C. J. Temminck. 5 vols. folio.

Voyage autour de Monde de la Coquille, pendant les années 1822, '23, '24 and '25, par M. L. Duperry. Zoologie: par MM. Lesson and Garnot. 2 vols. 4to. and Atlas, folio. Paris, 1826, '30.

Histoire naturelle generale des Pigeons: par C. J. Temminck, (with his original introduction, and proof plates before lettering,) 1 vol. folio. Paris, 1808.

Les Pigeons ; par Madame Knip, née Pauline de Courcelles, premies peintre d'histoire naturelle de S. M. l'Impératrice Reine Marie Louise : le texte (1er. tome) par C. J. Temminck, et (2e. tome) Florent Prevost. Folio. Paris, 1811, 1834.

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A letter was read from the Royal Bavarian Academy of Sciences, dated Munich, April 26, 1847, requesting certain portions of the publications of this Society for completing the series of the same in the Bavarian Academy.

A communication was read from the Secretary of the American Philosophical Society, dated May 7, 1847, returning acknowledgments for late numbers of the Academy's Proceedings.

Professor Hare read a memoir intended for publication in the Journal of the Academy, entitled "Objections to the electrical theories of Franklin, Du Faye and Ampère, with some suggestions as a substitute."

Referred to a committee consisting of Dr. Bridges, Mr. H. Seybert, and Prof. Johnson.

Professor Hare stated that among the results of the combustion of gunpowder, he had detected the formation of Sulpho-cyanide of Potassium, indicated by its producing a blood-red precipitate with the per-salts of iron.

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*Stated Meeting, June 22d, 1847.*

VICE PRESIDENT MORTON in the Chair.

DONATIONS TO MUSEUM.

A collection, in spirits, of Reptiles from Jamaica. Presented by Dr. C. W. Pennock.

Dr. C. D. Meigs presented a living specimen of *Hydrochœrus capybara* (Cavy,) from South America, and a living specimen of *Didelphis Virginiana*.